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# Volunteer Connection Calvary House: The Ministry

Calvary House Ministry was originally located in Beaumont and consisted of a four-plex apartment unit that was overseen for 17 years by Resident Manager Don Jolly . Several months ago, due to the aging condition of the property, the decision was made to sell the building. The ministry continues to operate from our Shepherd's Inn location. Calvary House Ministry provides transition housing for temporarily homeless families with children and emergency food assistance to anyone who applies by referral from 211 when funds are available. Volunteer shoppers welcome, call now to apply, 409-548-5886..

The previous **ten days** in this ministry have looked like this:

A long time supporter of CLCI asked if we could take in a single mom and her 10 year old. They arrived with the clothes on their backs; with no money, no job, and no transportation. The first week was beginning to balance out when the father of the child showed up on our porch after being told by a family member where they were staying. As we are not a shelter and were expecting in excess of 60 guests for the weekend, this mother and child were placed in a hotel to avoid any possibility of conflict. By the time this is mailed they will have left the area by bus. CH has provided shelter, food, transportation, and bus tickets.

The day after this family arrived Catholic Charities called needing help for a mother with four children who had been sleeping in a Beaumont park for eighteen days. CH put them in a motel overnight and we were able to locate an apartment. Entergy past due bills were waived through a contact and as of Friday birth certificates for three of the children are the only hold up on them moving to a permanent place. In the meantime they are a week later, still floating.

Two days after that a call came from a couple from Idaho with two children who had slept in the car the night before. The older child is autistic. CH provided two nights in a motel and assisted with getting a birth certificate for the mother to assist with her job.

Calvary House Ministry is able to provide this assistance due to the dedication of a very few committed individuals who faithfully support this specific ministry. If you are one of those few, we thank you and God will surely bless your efforts in keeping these families safe. There are more whom we have had to turn away. If you have not yet participated in this ministry please consider doing so.

Due to liability none of the shelters in Jefferson county accept children.

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"He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the LORD; and that which he hath given will he pay him again."

Proverbs 19:17

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## **LADIES!!! Opportunity Camp Needs YOU!**

Unbelievable that June is almost over or will be by the time you get this. The dates of Opportunity Camp have moved back a week to August 2-6 but plans are already being finalized with regard to menus, reservations, and counselors. Speaking of Counselors, Girl's Camp (Aug 2, 3 pm to Aug 4, 1 pm) is in need of more counselors. While previous experience is not required, it is helpful. Camp hours count toward fulfilling internship requirements for several college majors and credit is available upon request.

Girls Camp will be Directed by long time camper Olive Hall and assisted by Patsy Torres, an intern in Criminal Justice from A&M Corpus.

This year, in addition to the Lamar Climbing wall and boat tour of Shangri La in Orange, the girls will be going to the water park in Lumberton and cooking out at Village Creek State Park afterward.

Please contact the CLCI office at 409-548-5886 if you can participate in a fun packed two days. Day helpers welcome in several areas.



#### Celebrations!!!

Congratulations to our Senior Intern Troy Selby-Karney on his graduation last week from Lamar with a degree in Chemistry. Troy celebrates his second anniversary with CLCI this week and will continue with us as he begins Graduate school next month.

Congratulations to Angel Nugent our Calvary House Mom who passed her GED test at Lamar last week. Angel has been studying weekly at Community Care and Prayer in Nederland since January. We are very proud of both of these young people as they continue to make positive strides toward their futures.



Congratulations are also in order for Board member Darin Ford who celebrated his 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary with Lamar Baptist Student Ministry and will celebrate this summer his 30<sup>th</sup> as BSM Director with the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

#### Welcome Summer Interns...

CLCI welcomes Patsy Torres and Seth Emmons. Seth is a Lamar University Senior and will assist in the behind the scenes of keeping Shepherd's Inn ready for weekend guests. Seth is from Dallas area and has served this past year at Shepherd's Inn with the students who volunteer weekly. This will be Patsy's second summer and as mentioned will assist Olive Hall with Opportunity Camp in addition to assisting the CLCI office administratively. Patsy is from Corpus Christi and a Senior in Criminal Justice at A & M.



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#### A Roof Over Our Head...

The Raise the Roof campaign dollars continue to increase, as do the places that leak in the building. The new leaks are in the dining area which is the location of the weekly spiritual focus for Shepherd's Inn visiting guests. Due to the faithfulness of a Corps of Pastors, who serve on a rotating schedule, we are blessed to be able to provide Devotional services every Saturday night at 6 pm. The months of April and May combined saw over 25 Professions of Faith by family members.

Father's Day weekend, of 56 guests registered, 30 were children! Grayson is 5 months old and flies in from California, Ariana 4 and her sister 2 drive in from Nebraska, ten-year old Evan from Oklahoma, others from across the state and neighboring.

Please consider participating in this effort to replace the roof and enlarge the space available for the ever increasing number of families who seek to maintain connections with their loved ones, with each other, and with the love of Christ in this place.

#### **Wish List**

- New or gently used fans for guest rooms
- 85 new pillows
- Shower curtains & liners
- Handy man to attach crib mattress frame to rollers to make a trundle
- Painters—we still have several rooms in need of painting
- Sign ups for Saturday Night guest meals for Fall Semester (Sept-Dec)

#### Thank You YMBL

Young Men's
Business League
has provided
\$1200 for new
smoke detectors
and replacement
light fixtures.

#### New Date Same Great Game...

When: Re-scheduled due to rain out June 3 for July 15, 2016.

Where: Bayou Din Golf Course, Beaumont

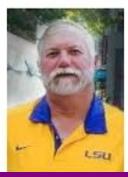
7:30 a.m. Registration/breakfast/\$50 per player

8:30 a.m. Shotgun Start

Lunch and Awards

Not able to attend? Donations accepted.

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### **Pantry Wish List**

Country Time lemonade individual snacks bleach Lysol disinfectant spray cleaner Glade Solid Air Freshener- Clean Linen scent Lysol spray toilet tissue paper towels small dessert plates 16 ounce drink glasses snacks for Opportunity Campers

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